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HOUSE RESOLUTION 29
By Boyer

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mr. Gordon Strevel
upon his ordination as a deacon at Lyons Creek
Baptist Church in Strawberry Plains.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize those individuals
who have given of their time and energy for the betterment of their churches; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon Strevel is one such individual; he is to be ordained as a deacon
at Lyons Creek Baptist Church in the Strawberry Plains community; and

WHEREAS, the ordination will take place at the church on the 4th of March, 2001, at 6:30
in the evening; and

WHEREAS, as stated by Winston Churchill, "We make a living by what we get, but we
make a life by what we give"; Mr. Strevel has lived his life according to the spirit of altruism and
principles based on the teachings of Christianity; and

WHEREAS, Gordon Strevel enjoys the companionship of his beloved wife, Dorris, to
whom he was married on the 8th of March, 1947, by the Reverend James Carmichael in Atlanta,
Georgia; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Strevel was a school teacher for forty-four years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Strevel worked in sales and then for Knox County until his retirement in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Gordon and Dorris are loving parents to their daughter, Jo Strevel Haun, and her husband, Turk Haun; and

WHEREAS, they are devoted to their four granddaughters, Amy, Holly, Beth, and Katie; and

WHEREAS, their family is very close and enjoys spending time together; the Strevels live right next door to the Hauns; and

WHEREAS, Psalm 122:1 states, "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord'"; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Strevel has attended Lyons Creek Baptist Church for sixty-five years, and Mr. Strevel has been a member for fifty-five years; and

WHEREAS, the congregation of Lyons Creek Baptist Church, in the Strawberry Plains community, is truly blessed to be gaining such a deserving Christian as Gordon Strevel as a deacon; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and commend Mr. Gordon Strevel upon the occasion of his ordination as a deacon of Lyons Creek Baptist Church in Strawberry Plains, and we wish for him and his family success and happiness in all of their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.